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TITLE OF INVENTION: INFORMATION RECORDING DEVICE AND COMMUNICATION METHOD THEREOF, ELECTRONIC CAMERA, AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

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